



## **Request for City Council Committee Action From the Department of Public Works**

**Date:** February 28, 2012

**To:** Honorable Sandra Colvin Roy, Chair Transportation & Public Works Committee

**Referral:** Honorable Betsy Hodges, Chair Ways & Means Committee

**Subject:** **Contract Amendment with the Joint Water Commission**

**Recommendation:**

Authorize proper city officers to amend contract C-22438 with the Joint Water Commission for the purpose of rebuilding the Golden Valley meter setting and changing the ownership of the meter.

**Previous Directives:**

- February 25, 2005 – Approval of authority to enter into twenty-year contract, retroactive to January 1, 2004, for the sale of water to the Joint Water Commission (Crystal, Golden Valley, and New Hope).

**Prepared by:** Bernie Bullert

**Approved by:**

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Steven A. Kotke, P.E., City Engineer, Director of Public Works

**Presenters:** Bernie Bullert

**Reviews**

Permanent Review Committee (PRC):	Approval	NA	Date
Civil Rights Affirmative Action Plan	Approval	NA	Date
Policy Review Group (PRG):	Approval	NA	Date

**Financial Impact**

No financial impact

**Community Impact**

Neighborhood Notification: Not Applicable  
City Goals: Not Applicable  
Comprehensive Plan: Not Applicable  
Zoning Code: Not Applicable

**Background/Supporting Information**

Minneapolis has supplied water to Golden Valley, Crystal, and New Hope (collectively the Joint Water Commission or JWC) since 1962.

The meter setting and meter at Golden Valley have had an accuracy problem for many years. After study and considerable testing it has been determined the existing meter, meter setting, and meter vault arrangement are not properly designed for today's volumes. Therefore, we believe it is in everyone's best interest to do a total redesign and rebuild of this meter station.

The amendment proposes an equal cost sharing between the two entities with Minneapolis then becoming the owner of the meters but not the other metering equipment. It is believed in our best interest to own all our meters so we can test them on our own schedule. The cost of the project will be funded from the operating budget appropriation.